

AMENDMENT TO THE SPECIFICATION

No amendment has been made to the Specification in this response to the Office Action.

AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS

- **Format of Claim Amendments**

Applicants have amended the claims as indicated below. Pursuant to the revised format to 37 C.F.R. 1.121, Applicants herein submit only one version of the claims with markings to show changes. Detailed listings of all claims that are, or were in the application, are presented.

- **Statement with Respect to Scope of Amended and Non-Amended Claims**

Amendments to, cancellation of, and additions to, the claims are made in order to streamline prosecution of the case to embodiments that are presently anticipated to be of commercial significance, and are not made for a purpose of patentability. Any amendment, cancellation or addition made herein should not be construed in any manner as indicating Applicants' surrender of any subject matter of the application, or surrender of any equivalent to any element asserted in one or more claims. Applicants do not concede that the scope of the claims set forth below fail to extend as far as the original claims. Furthermore, any narrowing which may be evinced with respect to subject matter covered by the claims as a whole, or by one or more claims of the appended claims, when compared to claims previously in the application, should not be interpreted as indicating that the Applicants have generally disclaimed the territory between the original claimed subject matter and the amended claimed subject matter. Applicants intend each term of the claims set forth below to read with respect to the full-breadth of the language of the claims and to encompass the same equivalency as if the claims were originally presented in the application and request examination of the claims with respect to patentability to in accord Applicants' intent. Amended claim elements are to be construed to include substantial equivalents known to those of ordinary skill in the art. Applicants assert that the amendments are made without prejudice and reserve all rights to prosecute any canceled claims, and claims preceding any

amendment, and other disclosed (but not presently claimed) embodiments in the application, in future continuation applications, divisional applications, continuation-in-part applications, continuing prosecution applications, requests for continuing examination, re-examination applications and any other application claiming priority from or through the present application.